

CLAIMS

1. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability, wherein ferrite or bainite is the maximum phase in terms of percent volume,
 - 5 satisfying all of the following at least at 1/2 of the sheet thickness:
 - (1) a mean value of X-ray random intensity ratios of a group of $\{100\}<011>$ to $\{223\}<110>$ orientations is 2.5 or more,
 - 10 (2) a mean value of X-ray random intensity ratio of three orientations of $\{554\}<225>$, $\{111\}<112>$, $\{111\}<110>$ is 3.5 or less,
 - (3) X-ray random intensity ratio of $\{100\}<011>$ is larger than that of $\{211\}<011>$,
 - 15 (4) X-ray random intensity ratio of $\{100\}<011>$ is 2.5 or more,
 - having at least one of an r-value in a rolling direction and the r-value in a direction perpendicular to the rolling direction is 0.7 or less,
 - 20 having anisotropy of uniform elongation Δu_{E1} is 4% or less,
 - having an anisotropy of local elongation ΔLE_{E1} is 2% or more, and
 - 25 having an Δu_{E1} which is ΔLE_{E1} or less,
 - where:
$$\Delta u_{E1} = \{ |u_{E1}(L) - u_{E1}(45^\circ)| + |u_{E1}(C) - u_{E1}(45^\circ)| \} / 2$$
$$\Delta LE_{E1} = \{ |LE_{E1}(L) - LE_{E1}(45^\circ)| + |LE_{E1}(C) - LE_{E1}(45^\circ)| \} / 2$$

u_{E1}(L): Uniform elongation in a rolling direction
u_{E1}(C): Uniform elongation in a transverse direction
u_{E1}(45°): Uniform elongation in a 45° direction
LE_{E1}(L): Local elongation in a rolling direction
LE_{E1}(C): Local elongation in a transverse direction
LE_{E1}(45°): Local elongation in a 45° direction.
 2. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 1,

characterized in that an occupancy rate of iron carbide, diameter of which is 0.2 μm or more, is 0.3% or less.

3. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 1,
5 characterized in that an aging index AI is 8 MPa or more.

4. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 1,
characterized by containing, in terms of weight %,

10 C: 0.01 to 0.2%,
Si: 0.001 to 2.5%,
Mn: 0.01 to 2.5%,
P: 0.2% or less,
S: 0.03% or less,
Al: 0.01 to 2%,
15 N: 0.01% or less, and
O: 0.01% or less

and remainder Fe and unavoidable impurities.

5. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 4,
20 characterized by further containing at least one or more element selected from Nb, Ti and V with a total of 0.001 to 0.8%, in terms of weight %.

6. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 4 or 5,
25 characterized by further containing at least one or more, in terms of weight %,

30 B: 0.01% or less,
Mo: 1% or less,
Cr: 1% or less,
Cu: 2% or less,
Ni: 1% or less,
Sn: 0.2% or less,
Co: 2% or less,
Ca: 0.0005 to 0.005%,
35 Rem: 0.001 to 0.05%,
Mg: 0.0001 to 0.05%,
Ta: 0.0001 to 0.05%.

7. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 1, characterized by containing, in terms of weight %,

C: 0.02 to 0.3%,

5 at least one or more element selected from the following group consisting of, total 0.1 to 3.5%, in terms of weight %,

Mn: 0.05 to 3%,

NI: 3% or less,

10 Cr: 3% or less,

Cu: 3% or less,

Mo: 1% or less,

Co: 3% or less and

Sn: 0.2% or less,

15 at least one or both consisting of, total 0.02 to 3% in terms of weight %,

Si: 3% or less and

Al: 3% or less

20 and remainder Fe and unavoidable impurities, and having multi-phase structure, wherein ferrite or bainite is the maximum phase in terms of percent volume, and a percent volume of martensite is 1 to 25%.

8. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 7, 25 characterized by containing, in terms of weight %, at least one or more element selected from Nb, Ti and V with a total of 0.001 to 0.8%, in terms of weight %.

9. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 7 or 8, 30 characterized by further containing at the least of one or more element selected from the following group consisting of, in terms of weight %,

P: 0.2% or less,

B: 0.01% or less,

35 Ca: 0.0005 to 0.005% and

Rem: 0.001 to 0.02%

10. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet

excellent in shape fixability according to claim 4 or 5, wherein the steel sheet is plated.

5 11. A high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 7 or 8, wherein the steel sheet is plated.

12. A method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability comprising the following steps,

10 hot-rolling a cast slab having a composition according to claim 4 or 5 as cast or cooled once, then reheated to a temperature range of 1000-1300°C, with a total reduction ratio of 25% or more at Ar_3 , to $(Ar_3+150)^\circ C$, temperature at finishing hot-rolling start, TFS, and temperature at finishing hot-rolling end, TFE, 15 simultaneously satisfies following Equations (1) to (4), and

20 cooling hot-rolled steel sheet, then coiling at below critical temperature T_0 , determined by the chemical composition of the steel sheet shown in the following Equation (5) and a temperature of 400 to 700°C,

$$TFE \geq Ar_3 \quad (1)$$

$$TFE \geq 800^\circ C \quad (1')$$

$$TFS \leq 1100^\circ C \quad (2)$$

25 $20^\circ C \leq TFS - TFE \leq 120^\circ C \quad (4)$

$$T_0 = -650.4 \times \{C\% / (1.82 \times C\% - 0.001)\} + B \quad (5)$$

where B is found from the composition of the steel expressed by weight %

$$B = -50.6 \times Mneq + 894.3$$

30 $Mneq = Mn\% + 0.24 \times Ni\% + 0.13 \times Si\% + 0.38 \times Mo\% + 0.55 \times Cr\%$
 $+ 0.16 \times Cu\% - 0.50 \times Al\% - 0.45 \times Co\% + 0.90 \times V\%$

$$Ar_3 = 901 - 325 \times C\% + 33 \times Si\% + 287 \times P\% + 40 \times Al\% - 92 \times (Mn\% + Mo\% + Cu\%) - 46 \times (Cr\% + Ni\%)$$

13. A method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 12, characterized by further controlling a friction coefficient to not more than 0.2
5 in at least one pass in the hot-rolling in a temperature range of Ar_3 to $(Ar_3+150)^\circ C$.

14. A method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability characterized by applying skin pass rolling of 0.1 to 5%
10 to hot-rolled steel sheet produced by the method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 12.

15. A method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability comprising the following steps,

hot-rolling a cast slab having a composition according to claim 7 or 8 as cast or cooled once, then reheated to a range of 1000 to $1300^\circ C$, with a total reduction ratios of 25% or more at Ar_3 to $(Ar_3+150)^\circ C$,
20 temperature at finishing hot-rolling start, TFS, and temperature at finishing hot-rolling end, TFE, and calculated residual strain $\Delta\epsilon$ to simultaneously satisfy following relations (1) to (4), and

cooling hot-rolled steel sheet, then
25 coiling at below critical temperature T_0 determined by the chemical composition of the steel shown in the following relation (5) and a temperature of not more than $400^\circ C$:

$$TFE \geq Ar_3 (\text{ }^\circ C) \quad (1)$$

$$TFS \leq 1100 \text{ }^\circ C \quad (2)$$

$$\Delta\epsilon \geq (TFS - TFE) / 375 \quad (3)$$

$$20 \text{ }^\circ C \leq (TFS - TFE) \leq 120 \text{ }^\circ C \quad (4)$$

$$T_0 = -650.4 \times \{C\% / (1.82 \times C\% - 0.001)\} + B \quad (5)$$

35 where, B is found from the composition of the steel expressed by weight%,

$$B = -50.6 \times M_{eq} + 894.3$$

$$M_{eq} = Mn\% + 0.24 \times Ni\% + 0.13 \times Si\% + 0.38 \times Mo\% + 0.55 \times Cr\% + 0.16 \times Cu\% - 0.50 \times Al\% - 0.45 \times Co\% + 0.90 \times V\%$$

where,

5 $Ar_3 = 901 - 325 \times C\% + 33 \times Si\% + 287 \times P\% + 40 \times Al\% - 92 \times (Mn\% + Mo\% + Cu\%) - 46 \times (Cr\% + Ni\%)$

$\Delta\epsilon$ is found from the equivalent strain ϵ_i (i is 1 to n) given at each stand of the n stages of finishing rolling for the rolling, time t_i (sec) ($i=1$ to $n-1$) between stands, time t_n (sec) from the final stand to the start of cooling, rolling temperature T_i (K) ($i=1$ to n) at each stand, and a constant $R=1.987$.

$$\epsilon = \Delta\epsilon_1 + \Delta\epsilon_2 + \dots + \Delta\epsilon_n$$

where, $\Delta\epsilon_i = \epsilon_i \times \exp\{-(t_i^*/\tau_n)^{2/3}\}$

15 $\tau_n = 8.46 \times 10^{-9} \times \exp\{43800/R/T_i\}$
 $t_i^* = \tau_n \times (t_i/t_i + t_{i+1}/\tau_{i+1} + \dots + t_n/\tau_n)$

16. A method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 15, characterized by further 20 controlling a friction coefficient to not more than 0.2 in at least one pass in the hot-rolling in a temperature range of Ar_3 to $(Ar_3 + 150)^\circ C$.

17. A method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability 25 characterized by applying skin pass rolling of 0.1 to 5% to hot-rolled steel sheet produced by the method of producing a high-strength hot-rolled steel sheet excellent in shape fixability according to claim 15.